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C O N F I D E N T I A L NIAMEY 3178

PARIS PLEASE PASS AMBASSADOR JAMES

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PORG, NG  
SUBJECT: MEETING WITH MFA SEC DEN DIATTA CONCERNING BELGRADE  
CONFERENCE  
REF: (A) STATE 178240, (B) STATE 178242

1. CHARGE AND EMBOFF CALLED ON SEC GEN JOSEPH DIATTA JULY 21  
TO DISCUSS BELGRADE CONFERENCE TOPICS CITED REFTELS.US  
HIGH ESTIMATION OF NAM'S CONSTRUCTIVE POTENTIAL AS INTER-  
NATIONAL BODY, CONCERN OVER CUBAN MILITARY INVOLVEMENT  
IN AFRICA, FIRM US POLICY OF NON-INTERFERENCE IN NAM AFFAIRS  
AND OUR STRONG BELIEF THAT ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT  
AID, NOT MILITARY AID, BEST SERVES AFRICA'S INTERESTS WERE  
EMPHASIZED.

2. SEC GEN DIATTA NOTED THAT ISSUE OF CUBAN SOVIET LINKS HAD  
BEEN GENUINE TOPIC OF DISCUSSION OF MANY NAM MEMBERS,  
OUTSIDE NAM INTERFERENCE. CLOSE CUBAN-SOVIET RELATIONSHIP  
BROUGHT INTO QUESTION CUBA'S SUPPOSEDLY NEUTRAL ROLE IN  
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NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT. BUT CUBA'S AFRICAN PRESENCE IN CERTAIN  
COUNTRIES, HE CONTINUED, IS BASED UPON LEGITIMATE AFRICAN  
GOVERNMENTS' REQUESTS, JUST AS FRANCE'S PRESENCE IS  
ELSEWHERE, E.G. THE IVORY COAST AND ZAIRE. THUS THE  
QUESTION OF CUBA'S ROLE IN AFRICA AND ITS NON-ALIGNED STATUS  
IS A STICKY ONE, INDEED. DIATTA STOPPED SHORT, HOWEVER, OF  
ELABORATING ON NIGER'S POSSIBLE VOTING STANCE WERE SUCH AN

ISSUE TO SURFACE AT BELGRADE.

3. WE DID NOT DEAL AT LENGTH WITH THE PUERTO RICO, MIDDLE EAST OR KOREAN ISSUES AT THIS MEETING AS THESE SUBJECTS WERE WELL COVERED DURING DASS DALLEY'S VISIT IN JUNE. MEETING SERVED BASIC PURPOSE OF DEMONSTRATING OUR CONCERN AND INTEREST ON KEY BELGRADE ISSUES, BUT LIKELY LITTLE ELSE; KEY NAM DELEGATION PERSONNEL FROM NIAMEY (FORMIN DJERMAKOYE AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DIRECTOR SANI BAKO) WERE PROCEEDING DIRECTLY TO BELGRADE FROM OAU SUMMIT.

FYI: NAM DELEGATION ALSO TO INCLUDE NIGER'S AMBASSADORS TO UN (JEAN POISSON) CAIRO (DIALLO ABDOULAYE), AND MOSCOW (ILLA SALIFOU).CROCKETT

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